

**1998/221. Seventh and eighth United Nations Conferences  
on the Standardization of Geographical Names**

At its 40th plenary meeting, on 23 July 1998, the Economic and Social Council decided:

(a) To endorse the recommendation that the Eighth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names be convened for eight working days in the second half of 2002;

(b) To endorse also the recommendation that the twentieth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names be convened during the fourth quarter of 1999;

(c) To request the Secretary-General to take measures, as appropriate, to implement the recommendations of the Seventh United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names, especially with regard to the work of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.